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IN WIRELESS AD HOC NETWORKS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please substitute the following amended claims 17, 18, 19, 39, 41, 42, and 43 for original claims 17, 18, 19, 39, 41, 42, and 43. A copy of original claims 17, 18, 19, 39, 41, 42, and 43 showing revisions is attached.

17. (*Amended*) A method according to claim 9, characterised by forwarding the cancellation of broadcast message to other neighbouring forwarding nodes connected to the same network, which takes place via the master node of the network if the node itself is not a master node in step h), when the identity of the broadcast message in the cancellation broadcast message is not found in the cache memory or the like.

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